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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE DECISION OF THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated June 3, 2004, of the Examiner rejecting claims 1-2, 4-9 and 18-20 of the above-identified patent application.

An extension of time is included to respond to the Examiner's rejection.

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